

Table 1-5
Mean science literacy assessment scores of 15-year-old students in developed countries, by country: 2012

| Grouping and country | Score |
|---|-------|
| Score higher than United States' score of 497 | |
| Singapore | 552 |
| Japan | 547 |
| Finland | 545 |
| Estonia | 541 |
| South Korea | 538 |
| Poland | 526 |
| Canada | 525 |
| Germany | 524 |
| Ireland | 522 |
| Netherlands | 522 |
| Australia | 522 |
| New Zealand | 516 |
| Switzerland | 515 |
| Slovenia | 514 |
| United Kingdom | 514 |
| Czech Republic | 508 |
| Score not statistically different from United States' score of 497 | |
| Austria | 506 |
| Belgium | 505 |
| Latvia | 502 |
| France | 499 |
| Denmark | 498 |
| United States | 497 |
| Spain | 496 |
| Norway | 495 |
| Italy | 494 |
| Luxembourg | 491 |
| Portugal | 489 |
| Score lower than United States' score of 497 | |
| Sweden | 485 |



| Grouping and country | | Score |
|----------------------|---|-------|
| Iceland | | 478 |
| Slovakia | | 471 |
| Israel | | 470 |
| Greece | | 467 |
| SOURCE: | National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, special tabulations (2014) of the Program for International Student Assessment 2012 science literacy assessment, National Center for Education Statistics. See appendix table 1-8. <i>Science and Engineering Indicators 2016</i> | |